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Choice Poetry.

VIOLETS:

SENT IN A TINY BOX.

[We find these pretty verses in an English periodical, unnewsed. We think they are by Mrs. E. Barrett Browning.]

Let these lie—ah, let them lie!
Pinched flowers—dead to sweetness;
Lift the lid up quietly,
As you'd lid the mystery
Of a buried sorrow.

Let them lie—the fragrant things,
All fleeting from spring,
Let no breeze's ambient wings
Bear to useless wanderings
Much these love living.

They have lived—they live as more;
Nothing can waste
For the gentle life they have,
And up-yielded in full store
While it did delight them.

Yet, I warn, forever—mine fate!
"Twas a joyful privilege,
Lulls come next hassle, rate,
That hope bathed fresh in air
For its loved one's cheering.

Surely, ye were glad to die
In the love ye drew so,
Glad to leave the open sky,
And the arms that wondered by,
And the hour that knew ye;

Giving up a cruel earth-place
And a day's pain of it,
Here to be in narrower space,
Feeding in the embalmer here
With each sweet performing.

Oh, ye little violets dead!
Collared like the slain!
We will also smile, and shed
Our tears, and be comforted
Partners of sweet praises.

And so ye, for this poor mite,
Love with the rendering,
So, I doubt not, this will make
All our gathered love to take
Richer scent through dying.

Original Novelet.

THE CURSE OF CLIFTON.

A TALE OF

EXPIATION AND REDEMPTION

WRITTEN FOR THE SATURDAY EVENING POST,
BY MRS. EMMA D. E. N. SOUTHWORTH,
AUTHOR OF "THE DISCARDED WIFE," "VIDELLE, OR THE RIVAL ARTISTS," &c.

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CHAPTER XIV.

THE DESPERATION OF APPLICATION.

When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
The rivers of woe shall not theer overflow,
For I will be with thee thy troubles to bless,
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
My grace all sufficient shall be thy supply;
The flame shall not hurt thee, I only design
Thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine.
Georgiana Scott Harrison.

The mansion house at White Cliffs was all but deserted. The very house-servants, pretty accustomed to the frequent absence of their master, would have looked their leaving their beat, removed to their own dens, feigning illness as an excuse to be out of the reach of contagion. Other cities introduced at once into the sick room—but this cannot! "I will not desert my master in what you *should* describe it. Only those who have entered a pestiled through that worst term of the small but malignant fever, can realize its revolting horrors. To see any human being touching at the loose beautiful Carolyn was shocked. Her very fairness almost obliterated, while ——fill up the poem, you who have seen the picture of her. Her eyes were closed, they say form of illness—it was worse than death and decay. Regret almost overwhelmed pity, and Catherine turned away, shuddering with sickness of body and soul. Old Mr. Cliff bore and did not look upon the rain, and was unable to hear the sight, rushed from the room. Catherine turned to her duty. The wretched patient was tossing about in high fever, and tearing her arms and bosom under the intolerable irritation. That must be prevented—must be stopped first Catherine knew. Catherine sought her right hand, and it took all her strength to hold that hand, whose flesh seemed as if it would drop off, under the pressure, while she entered it to the bedstead. Then she supplanted the other darling, tossing hand, and confined it in the same manner. And then she looked at the state of her own palms. Oh, of course, they! this wretched disease! Carolyn had the beautiful Georgia had fled to Richmond, and the two pretty town maids were extremely ill in their stead. And is it wise to follow their example? No—for now all selfish fears were lost in deep compassion for the poor, forsaken worst of beauty, that lay there at her mercy. She returned to her duty. She administered to her patient as regularly as the watch-nurse soon. Took a sponge and tepid water, and commenced bathing the face and hands. Then anointed the other, tossing hand, and confined it in the same manner. And then she sat and

Miscellaneous.

OUR HONORABLE FRIEND.

[The following humorous hit at the English parliament, by the author of "Nasby Papers," is worth preserving.—Ed. Post.]

We are delighted to find that he has got his seat in the English Parliament. He is the most remarkable man in Christendom. By his remarkable position in the English Parliament, he is the most remarkable man in the world.

Our honorable friend has lasted an astonishing number of years. He has survived the assaults of old age, which would have killed any other human being by their hundreds; and the danger of cross will power at the hands of his own family, which would have killed any other man by thousands, and (after a good deal of trouble) has survived the assaults of the whole Christian ministry. He has survived the assaults of the whole Christian authority, our necessity of the name of King Jesus, and that so long as he lived and was honored and respected, he would not be saved, which he, for reasonable, Catholic Gospel purposes, is not particularly anxious to be. He has repeated whether any body knows who the nickname was, or what the burden is, or what it means, or what it is that is never to be answered, and I don't know that anybody cares, or what it is that is never to be answered, and I don't care myself. But our honorable friend, the member for Tarbucky, knows all about it.

Our honorable friend has cut several parliaments, and given hostels of votes. He is a great statesman. He has been a great many things, and has been a great many times, and yet he has never been a statesman. He has been a great many things, and yet he has never been a statesman. He has been a great many things, and did them first-rate, but never, until that he meant them, and what he said he meant them to do, and he said, that he meant it now. And if you mean to say that you did not think, and do not mean, honor, by the term statesman, that you do not mean now, our honorable friend will be glad to see you, and will explain to you, and will show that you are prepared to destroy the moral basis of our morality.

Our honorable friend, the member for Tarbucky, had this great ambition, that he always was a great many things, always meant to be a great many things. When he came down to what friend and humanity invited in his power, as an individual, and as an individual, he was a statesman on earth should induce him, if any time or any country, to go on such public service—I'd be glad to go to the North or Berwick-on-Tweed, and I'd be interested, and very glad to go to Berwick-on-Tweed, and very glad to go to Berwick-on-Tweed, and very glad to go to Berwick-on-Tweed

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OUR NOVELETS.

THE CURSE OF CLIFTON,

A TALE OF DUELLING AND REVENGE.

BY MRS. SOUTHWORTH.

Author of "The Discarded Wife," "Shannondale," "The Discarded Daughter," &c.

At the conclusion of "The Curse of Clifton," we shall give the Sequel to This—

CLARA MORELAND,

BY MRS. SOUTHWORTH,

Author of "Prairie Flower," "Rosalie of the Conge," &c.

In addition to the above works of fiction, we shall not neglect the usual assortment of Miscellaneous matter, which is supposed to be a great deal of the amusing matter that appears in the Press exclusively, together with the Current Events of the Day, Domestic Intelligence, Markets, News, Gems and even Romances, &c., &c.—Embodying as much reasonable matter as to add to the variety and interest of our columns, to make them worthy of a first class paper, and of good circulation.

General News.

FOREIGN NEWS.

The Austrian Lloyds contradicts the statement that Kossuta had been seized and died in Fortress of Kuzzela.

Marshal Haynau had been threatened with personal violence at Brussels. The military were called out, and a number of the rioters in custody. The assailants treated with contempt.

The agricultural prospects of Scotland are highly favorable, and generally so throughout England.

Recently, the historian's health is so feeble, that it is thought he will not be able to take his seat in the new Parliament, to which he has been elected by Sunderland.

The series of religious fetes at Combral that were begun on the 15th of August, in honor of the restoration of the statue of the Virgin Mary, continue to draw vast crowds to that place. Hundred even the guide of the town for four cents.

The Duke of Wellington, Lord Aberdeen, Sir James Graham, Hon. Mr. Spencer, latter known as "Jack Spencer," and Lord Lyndhurst, are the only of Pitt's colleagues left in the cabinet of the conservative, persuasion, &c. The Whigs have it all their own way in Scotland, largely in the history of the town. This restored statue is the identical one which was first erected in the 15th and thirteenth centuries, and among other feats, vanished from its place for a few years when the town was besieged. A miraculous portrait of the Virgin Mary, painted by St. Luke, was of the same time solemnly placed in the Church.

The director of police, at Bologna, has ordered that every stranger who arrives in that city shall have his or her conduct registered in a book to be kept for the purpose, and that any change a servant or hire a new one without giving three days notice to the Police.

Anabaptists are forbidden to preach or meet for worship within the limits of the Austrian particular pale of impenetrance.

London Gallantry.—A case of a fall of seed (*remember Senate*) that occurred on the 7th, at the docks of Bury. The seed was in the act of the sail beneath the grant it struck root. The day was very hot, and the thunder and lightning, the wind blowing from West to East. A shower of rain fell, which is said to be a rare occurrence in the Riesengebirge.

M. Godard, a French aeronaut, made a successful ascent in a balloon at Manchester, England, on Sunday, the 4th inst.

Mr. Gordon has invented a new life-boat, which has been successfully tested in the Metropolitan Docks. It is self-righting, self-emptying, self-ventilating, buoyant, and strengthened with air-tanks in the bottom and sides to such an extent that it will not sink when full. It is also to be right itself when upset. The boat will carry about 25 persons, and is so elastic that it cannot be stove. The inventor's object in the invention is to save life made in this fashion.

Hon. Abbott Lawrence and family are at present staying with the Duke of Rutland, at Longshaw Lodge, Derbyshire.

Liebig, the Chemist, has just been appointed Professor of Chemistry in the University of Munich, and Director of the Chemical Laboratory. The salary is 10,000 florins.

A pedestrian is at present engaged in Manchester, England, walking 100 miles in twenty-four hours. He has completed about one-fourth of the distance, and is going ahead nicely.

The London Times has an article, urging the withdrawal of the guards to the Custom and Excise establishments, thereby increasing the efficiency of the Admiralty to iron compounds.

Mr. Mackay's letter upon the subject of the Crimean Islands, has excited considerable attention in England. He says that the Russians have shown that the Islands were conveyed for the 15th day of October, and down in a map, published at Madrid, in 1745.

From the number of ships advertised for Australia, it would appear there is no falling off in the demand for either cabin or steerage. The passage likely to suit between this date and the end of September, as intended will be good reports, is estimated at little under eighty thousand tons.

Emigration is already telling disastrously upon the labor market in Ireland.

The ravages of the potato disease in Ireland appears to be more than alarming there are still some exceptions from particular localities. The potato crop generally is a complete failure, and are being rapidly harvested.

There is a great deficiency in the potato crop in the north-latitude, in consequence of the demand for harvest laborers.

General Magnan has announced in general council, that the French establishments are establishing a strong military reserve force, which, without encroaching upon the respect for the majesty of France, would enable the government to throw a large force in any direction for the immediate introduce in the public taxation.

On the 1st of August there were 123 manufactories of bee-t-root sugar in operation in France. The number manufactured this season was 74,182,929 kilogrammes.

INTERESTING IN AMERICAN AFFAIRS—The London Daily News, of the 5th inst., says:

"Another case is within the joint interference of the two leading European powers will probably be soon cancelled, is that of Mexico, and very great benefits are to be expected from commercially and politically, should the contemplated intervention of England and France effectively result. In the Daily News of the 4th inst., we have announced that the Emperor Louis Napoleon had it in contemplation to propose to the Government in England and the United States, a plan for bringing about a 5 per cent. reduction of interest in Mexico, with a view to taking that naturally magnificent country from the state of bankruptcy in which it has been reduced by a long and continued mal-administration. The plan is said to have been favorably received in both States, England, and likewise of France, and it is to be hoped that the joint efforts of the three powers will be successful. The appointment of a general Congress of the chief commercial nations of the civilized world, for the discussion of Mexican affairs."

FARMERS, COMPARE.—In 1842, there were produced in the United States 109,000,000 bushels of wheat; which, at 50 cents per bushel, for the corn; which, at 31 per bushel for the former, and 10 cents for the latter, amounted to $155,000,000. Fifteen per cent. time of the wheat crop, and twenty per cent. of the corn crop, would amount to $39,000,000. The improvements, hired and because labor, in a three of the wheat crop, and twenty per cent. of the corn crop, would amount to $39,000,000. The improvements, hired and because labor, in a three of the wheat crop, and twenty per cent. of the corn crop, would amount to $39,000,000. The appropriation of these two items would yield the sum of $78,000,000. The appropriation of these two items would yield the sum of $78,000,000. The appropriation of these two items would yield the sum of $78,000,000. In other words, the whole Navy and Army of the United States, the wheat and corn throughout the Union! - Will not the hard-working farmers think of this fact?

A GREEK EXPERIMENT.—The eclectic city of Athens, Greece, is about to have a new system of the engine and joiner work, and will go out on the new lithe about the first of November. Her manager is a native of Athens, and will go on her lithe trip about the first of November. Her manager is a native of Athens, and will go on her lithe trip about the first of November. Her manager is a native of Athens, and will go on her lithe trip

Selected Poetry.

EPITAPH ON THE LATE KING OF THE SANDWICH ISLANDS.

BY W. M. PRAED.

[This poem, it is said, was written and printed before the news of the King's death. He can no longer protest, in the spirit of a true gentleman, against the insult which is put upon his memory.—Ed. Sel.]

"His noble spread with ten and more,
Both wounded of the field and shore."—Pope.

Sir Walter Scott says that he once heard the King imagiously quote these lines of Mason's, but it is not very probable that, if he ever read Pope's "Epistle," he took much notice of so unfinished a theme as his friend's.

Behold the tombs, and of mine,
Whatever his subject-theme may be,
Gravestones or epitaphs and dust,
The blind King is fond for "morals":
Primed by ambitious and by soft,
From Lethe and regardless waves,
His lady fills the father's vault,
His chamberlain the lady's grave.

Weep not for funeral for regret and:
Heed to the moisture of his eyelashes;
With tender heart and cannot sweat,
And open purse, and open features;
The ladies say who had him not,
And natural thereby the moral possess,
They never vouchsafed a shroud or sheet,
A corpse or more quaint diamond.

He revered with half a score of sons,
And shame—by proxy—in the grave interred;
Decreed hard fights and evil reasons,
And feathered fans, and sandal-wood.
His countries were resigned and forged,
Whereby his soldiers were victorious,
And widows wept, and paupers paid,
To make their Sovereign Tailor glorious.

And days were set apart for thanks,
And prayers were said by priests (readers)
Armed was heralded on the rocks,
And loud was heralded on their leaders;
Priests are well by History's pen;
Though rumors are too much to rave for—
Fame talks about the wives and wives,
While Clio lies with her eyes closed.

In spite of his true immensity grey,
Add blindingingly many
Preparing gore-green every day,
And chosen to make his subjects fancy
And hearing the report of guns,
And signing the reports of jailers,
And making an example for fun,
And patience for the army sutlers;

And building marriages and bowls,
And crowns, and chapels, and parchins,
And regulating all the seals,
And all the principles of millions;
And drinking homilies and gin,
And cheering youth and education,
And hearing how I wrote upon him,
And looking forwards to salvation.

The people, in his happy reign,
Were blest beyond all other nations;
Unlicensed by foreign care or chain,
Unlanded by civil insurrections;
They served the usual taxes and salaries,
With all the usual rights and interest;
And swallowed all their father's lavers,
And swallowed all their fathers' errors.

When the dawn met, with clubs and knives,
It crowned that nothing should continue there,
But that their representatives
Should actually represent them:
In hempen-cord the proper checks,
By sending corner-stones and banners,
To cut short speeches, and their necks;
And bonds and bills, and other pressers.

And when Democracy flung her cues
Upon the light of Hygeia's shine,
And Destiny made Coffin's choice
As spelling as the hangman's halter:
Around a corpse thronged the Isles,
By many successors befriended,
And not yet every his wife
For her the Priest could not be bonded.

And time at last he sunk to rest
Amid the bio-sings of his people;
Again were heard from every breast
And bells were tolled from every steeple,
And loud was every public face
His brilliant character adoring,
And poets mined a mourning vein,
And sketchers raised the price of mourning.

His funeral was very grand;
Collected by many cries and moans;
And all the great ones of the land,
Struggling as barouches for places,
And every loyal Minister
Was there with copies of purse-full oratory,
Save Peary, his lord chancellor,
Who promised to attend—to-morrow.

Peace to his dust! his flattering cues
By grateful hearts shall long be cherished,
And all his subjects shall declare
That he's a grander when he perished!
They who shall look upon the land
In which a people's love hath shrined him!
Shall say, when all the rest is said,
Perhaps he leaves a worse behind him!

* In the Sandwich Islands, no greater mark of respect can be paid to the person, by the sun, than the endowing of part of the burial ground with the sacred stones are content with the prejudices.

† When a subject of the Sandwich Islands dies, each of the out-posts shares his respect for the deceased Prince, by entrusting a valuable tooth from his head.

Selected Sketch.

COUNTRY CHURCHES.

BY A. J. DOWNING.

What, among all the edifices that compose a country town or village, is that which the inhabitant should most love and reverence? Surely, the one which all admire among these, and should feel most pleasure in showing to a stranger?

We imagine the answer ready upon the lips of every one of our readers in the country, and calling at once to affirmation—"The Village Church."

And yet, are our village churches winning and attractive in their exterior and interior? Is an traveler to admire them at first sight for the beauty of their proportions, the expression of holy purpose which they embody, the feeling of harmony with God and man, which they suggest? Does one get to love the very stones of which they are composed, because they so completely belong to a building which looks as if the home of Christian worship, and stands as the type of all that is found and designed in our religious faith and affections?

Alas! to how few there are very few country churches in our land that exert this kind of spell—a spell which grows out of making stone and brick and timber the will of the living soul, and expresses a religious sentiment. Most are mere temples, meeting-houses, conventicles, sepulchres, and nothings, who have to do with the building of churches, appear, indeed, wholly to ignore the fact, that the form and features of a building may be made to express religion, civil, domestic, or a dozen other things indistinctly as the form and instance of the human face; and yet this is a fact as well known by all true architects, as that joy and sorrow, pleasure and pain, are capable of irradiating or darkening the countenance. You, and we do not say too much when we add, that right expression in a building is religious expression, and as much to do with awakening our devotional feelings, and begetting an attachment in the heart, as the unmistakable signs of virtue and benevolence in our fellow-creatures, have to awakening kindred feelings in our own breasts.

We do not, of course, mean to say, that a beautiful rural church will make all the people love one another, or that, because they have their attention directed to God, they will feel the influence that prepare the way for religious feeling, and which we are so ready to neglect as we should be to adore the world and body ourselves, like the ancient troglodytes, in caves and recesses.

To speak out the truth boldly, would be to say that the ugliest church architecture in existence, is at this moment to be found in the country towns and villages of the United States. Doubtless, the learned which might be excited in the minds of Parian sculptors, against everything that belonged to the Romish church, in building our own creed, all beauty and all taste, along with all the superstitious and error of what had become a corrupt system of religion, is a key to the bareness and baldness and absence of all that is lovely in the eye, to the primitive churches of New England—which are, for the most part, the type churches of all America.

But, little by little, this ultra-puritanical spirit is wearing off. We are not now so blind, led by puritanical feelings against great spiritual wrongs, as to identify forever all that blessed house of harmony, grace, proportion, symmetry and expression, which make what we call beauty, with the vices, either real or supposed, of any particular creed. In short, as a people, our eyes are opening to the perception of holiness that are good, beautiful and wor-

thy to the soul, in all ages and all countries—and we regard the churches of the Middle Ages of artist and beauty, by which to estimate the present.

The first step which we have taken to show this change, is in the Gothic revival of church architecture. In a kind of healthy imitation of Greek temples, we have long since had enough. This has been the case throughout the whole country of that name, of the Northern States, for the past fifteen or twenty years. The form of the Greek temple, as applied to churches, is long one of wisdom, square or round-headed windows, with a flat roof, and a portico in front; a clumsy portico of Doric or Ionic columns in front, and a cupola upon the top, (usually about the size of a pigeon house) which is called a steeple—that directly over the pulpit, or perhaps, sometimes on the roof of the vestry of meeting-house, and which, in a few cases, is the real church of the country at large.

Now, unfortunately, we ought not to complain that these churches are ill. And by attribute, we mean no sarcasm, sectarian phrase—but a plain statement of fact. Indeed, the majority of the congregations seem to have felt this, and contented themselves with calling them "conventicles" if they would go a step further, and turn them into town meeting-houses, or at least round, in fulness, only house and edifice for town meetings, or other civil purposes, the building and its purposes would be in good keeping, and one with the other.

Not to appear presumptive and partial in our criticism, let us glance for a moment at the opposite extremes of the Gothic or pointed and the Gothic or pointed styles of architecture—as to what they really mean; for of one does most not suppose that all architects are men who merely put together certain pretty lines and ornaments, in order to be agreeable, and please the popular eye.

In these two styles, which have so taken root that they are employed at the present moment, all over Europe and America, there is something more than a mere conventional assortment of doors and windows; the application of ornament to the one, and the introduction of pointed arches to the other. In other words, there is an intrinsic meaning or expression involved in each, which, not to go fundamentally to understand, it is to be nothing but ignorant or untrue, and insulting to the church.

The leading idea of the Greek architecture, then, is in its horizontal lines—the unbroken level of its cornice, which is the "*land line of rationality.*" In this line, in the regular divisions of spaces, both of columns and windows, we find the elements of order, and hence of reason, fully and completely expressed. Hence the forms of classical architecture for the service of the State, for the Town Hall, the Legislative Assembly, the Lecture-Room, for Institutional or scientific debate; and, in short, in all civil purposes, where the reason of man is expressed. So, on the other hand, the leading idea of Gothic architecture is found in the vertical line—its aspiring tendencies. No weight of long continuance, or fair endings, can keep down upward, higher and higher, it soars, lifting everything, even hearty, ponderous stones, pulling them in the air in reached endings, or piling them upwards towards heaven, in spires, and steeples, and turrets that, in so great embellies, almost seem to pierce the sky. It must be a dull soul that does not catch and feel something of this upward tendency in the vaulted aisles and high, open, pointed roofs of the interior of a fine Gothic church, as well as its subdued and mellow light, and its suggestive and beautiful forms; forms, too, that are rendered more interesting by their association with Christian worship in so many acts, and, like the Greek edifices, by associations with heathen devotees.

Granting that the Gothic cathedral expresses, in its lofty, aspiring lines, the spirit of that true faith and devotion which leads us to look upward, is it possible that the narrow compass of a village church, which soon may be hundred or so, at most, a few thousand dollars, to preserve this idea?

We answer, yes. A crop of water is not the same, but it is still a type of its fullness; and a few words of wisdom may not penetrate the understanding so deeply as a great volume by a master of the human heart, but they may work miracles, if fitly spoken. For it is not the magnitude of things that is the measure of their excellence of power; and there is space enough for the architect to awaken devotional feelings, and the good spirit of prayer, in a sacred form one aid in doing this, though in a less degree, in the little chapel that is to hold a few hundred, as in the mighty minster where thousands may assemble.

And the one, we shall not be greater; that is, if a substantial building is to be erected, and not a flimsy frame of boards and plaster. Indeed, we would quote numberless instances where the mean expended in classical buildings, of false proportions but costly materials, and which can never raise other than emotions of pride in the human heart, would have built beautiful rural churches, which every inhabitant of the town where they chanced to stand, would regard with feelings of love and affection, a monument, with thanksgiving and prayer, to the end of all time.

And, in truth, we would not desire to make the country church other than simple, truthful, and harmonious. We would avoid all pretension to splendor, all unnecessary ornament; we would depend upon the right proportions, coloring, outline, and the true expression. Above all, we would have the country church rural and expressive, by planting it in a spot of green lawn, surrounded it with overhanging forest or shade trees, and decorating its walls (for no church look is any but the meanest architecture where moss are timely wanting, should be built at so perishable a material as wood,) with climbing plants—the vine, for instance, that with the Virginia creeper. And we would make the country church, in the very forms and outlines, its walls, and the vines that surround them, its shady grove, and the ideas that would naturally be call up in the hearts of goodness and piety that emanate from its pulpit, sound loud to the ear and sight of the listeners, and touch and better the hearts of the whole country about it.

* We have seen with pain, lately, one of these great churches, a half a mile, or more, out of Boston, Salem, at a cost of twenty thousand dollars. It looked, outside and inside, no more like a church than does the Custom House. And yet this one would have had the most important effect of devotional effects to the congregation.

ARRIVAL OF WINDHAM.—When the famous Windham,—a statesman even in these days of world making memories, and consequently of gathered together confidence from such Burkes as Pitt, Fox, Sheridan, and others of the tables—an orator distinguished for the purity of his eloquence as for the majestic grace of his delivery, and a gentleman in the broadest and high spirited, as he have sacred from the inmost lips of Burke himself, the epithet of "the chivalrous Windham"—when this gallant politician was one evening walking homeward along Parliament Street, from the transaction of an ovation and the victory of a division, his progress was arrested by a crowd of people, in which a gigantic coal-heaver was belaboring a less dog-horse committed to his charge. In vain Windham remonstrated with the big ox-driver, confident in his towering size and brute strength, mocked the well-dressed gentleman who expostulated, with the same treatment. At length, the spectacle of a man insulted in his person, and to his face, was too much for the Irishman's blood, and he struck out his fist with such force that he knocked down the coal-heaver. The latter, astonished at the unexpected resistance, rose, and, with a volley of oaths, challenged his opponent to fight. Windham, who was accustomed to the use of the fist, accepted the challenge, and, throwing off his coat, commenced the combat. The coal-heaver, who was a powerful man, and had been a prize-fighter, soon found that he had met his match, and, after a few rounds, declared himself satisfied. Windham, who had received no injury, and who was delighted with the result of the combat, shook hands with his antagonist, and, resuming his coat, walked off, amid the cheers of the crowd, to his lodgings.

Wit and Humor.

APPRAISING DAMAGES.

A neighbor of mine, on rising early one morning a few days since, found a cow of his had escaped and pulled up his bean, trampled his corn, released his hens, and eaten a half-peck of his potatoes. Of course, he was angry. He called a meeting of the neighbors, and they appointed three men to appraise the damage done by the trespass. I was one of the appraisers, and I felt a responsible position to be in. The owner of the cow, and the owner of the corn, were present, and I knew that the damage done by a negligent creature is to be estimated by the owner of the corn. The owner of the cow, with grave dignity called to his judicial presence, and with great earnestness of the damage examined. He first visited the bean field.

"This looks bad," said the judge; "one hundred hills rooted up, and many of the vines turned up, and some of the beans broken into the earth—besides, it is no very prepossessing to have a stranger's cow in one's field. Gentlemen, what do you say?" They who replied to assess their estimate, and they appointed to the corn field. They soon came to the damage done by the cow, especially violent with regard to potatoes. "Ah!" said the judge, "I should be sworn more than the damage."

"But," said the judge, "I have to recommend a cow of such capacity of improbability, "I think the real damage will not prove so great as it now appears. With a little care, many of the plants may be righted, and you will get quite a fair crop yet, if your neighbors will make you whole, I think, for the damage to the cow."

"Well," said our neighbor, "if that is your judgment, I am satisfied; I have agreed that your judgment be mine, and will abide your decision; but there is the meat and potatoes, I suppose you will allow me compensation for them?"

"Yes," said the judge, "the meat but a mere trifle, and the potatoes will soon be worth the money. If a half-pint of meat was eaten by the cow, it was worth ten cents, and I should be inclined to allow that amount for the trouble."

"Very good," replied our neighbor, "I will say nothing about the potatoes, if the owner will settle for the meat and take care of his cow in future to prevent trespass." The owner of the cow assented to the decision, and thanked the judge for his services, and departed.

The judgment was recorded, and the judge and the neighbors, after a social glass, went to their homes.

I leave the miscellaneous animal in my turn, and will thank you to stand by the gate and cut out to me to start her home. I suppose the owner of the cow will settle her own, and will not think of looking for her in my barn."

The judge took his position as requested, and our neighbor released the cow and turned her toward the gate. The judge looked at the cow with wonder and blank indifference, "Why, is this your cow?" He was too full for utterance. He left the cow pass through and he walked silently after her.—*Pleasanton Observer.*

MR. VAN BUREN'S NON-COMMITTALISM.—Coming down on the upper deck of an Albany steamer the day, many years ago, a party of gentlemen, as the best secret Kinderhook-Landing, were discussing the merits of Martin Van Buren, who then occupied the second chair, and while they were discussing the question, the boat landed, and in ! Mr. Van Buren himself came on board. One of the party had been dwelling upon his non-committalism, and thinking that "a plain answer to a plain question was never yet elicited from one of the party" (I wager should account on one occasion at an Indian "talk," when a man who had the reputation of whiskey; as old Elias who was sitting by, fixed his eye on the barrel, and after looking earnestly for some time, said, "I don't see how you have in that barrel. He said it was whiskey, he promised. "Ugh," said the Indian, "*I don't see how a thousand songs and fifty Aykes in that barrel !*"

Selected Articles.

THE BAD OLD TIMES AND THE GOOD NEW TIMES.

Let those who are prone to preach of the superior morality of the good old times, consider the state of society depicted in the following extract from a letter written by Mrs. Francis Place, who for more than half a century had been an acute and careful observer of the condition and conduct of the working people of London, in giving evidence before a Parliamentary Committee. The contrast between inquiry into the state of the existence of the people in England and Wales, here made and the existing testimony to the moral and habits and manners of the age. Scenes and events which, as described by Mrs. Place, are almost incredible occurrences when he was an apprentice, were then of every day occurrence, and, in fact, have wholly ceased. Speaking of the habits of tradesmen and masters, Mr. Place said:

"The conduct of such persons was formerly exceedingly gross as compared with the same class of persons now. Decency was a very different thing from what it is now—their wives were such as scarcely to be credited. I remember, when a boy of ten years of age, being at a party of tradesmen, entertained at a respectable tradesman's house, and the house was in the Strand, where songs were sung which cannot now be more than described for their indecency, and if they were sung in the field till night all, should have it in the afternoon; and I presume it is no new idea to farmers' wives generally, that their children's manners are materially affected by a personal attendance to the education of their children. The editor of the *Louisville Journal* since 1831; may be live in the same house with a family of boys, and hear their songs; he has been present at the dinner table of tradesmen, on a clergyman, is forty-two. Thackeray, born at Calcutta, is forty-one.

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This figure represents an Alderman standing on an inverted Punch Bowl. The motto is to be—

"*Fiat Justicia,*"

which signifies, "Let Justice be done," to which will be added the expressive word "*brown.*"—*Lantern.*

TO A GIRL OF THIRTEEN.

BY WM. SIDNEY WALKER.

Thy steps are dancing toward the bound
Between the child and woman;
And thoughts and feelings more profound,
And other years are coming;
And then shalt be more deeply fair,
More touching in thy purity.
But never count there be again
Thy present hour for me.

And youth shall pass, with all the bond
Of fancy-tied affection;
And love shall wither, wounded,
And waken cold confession;
There'll beam in full, and brighter beam,
O'er passionate vacillating,
Like one who wears a diamond sleep
Unto the curses of morning

Nay, say not so! nor cloud the sun
Of joyous expectation;
Endeared to those little the one,
Whose love is admiration.
Nor doubt that He, who thus doth feed
Our early hung with gladness,
Will in the later present help in need,
Her comfort, and her solace.

Smile on, then, little winsome thing!
All rich in Nature's treasure;
Thou'lt be to many a heart a spring
Of well-renewing pleasure.
Smile on, for while, and may be till
Of earth, till time shall end it;
The Master's voice and gentle will,
And love, are with thee.

Selected Articles.

VISITING FARMERS IN HAVING AND HARVEST TIMES.

BY A FARMER'S WIFE.

In a recent number, a correspondent addressed a few remarks to the wives and daughters of farmers, of having his town and city friends visit them during the season of haying and harvesting. Having had some experience in the matter, I feel moved to speak in behalf of the overtaxed wife and daughter, under the circumstances. It is a fact that ought to be known, that in the rural districts, the burden of hospitality falls the heaviest upon the wife and daughter of the farmer, and if they cannot be supplied with abundance of good wholesome food and drink—this, in many cases, is not at all times, but more particularly so, when the system is undergoing the exhaustion of severe and protracted labor. Unless laborers who take an early breakfast, require luncheon at a station in the field, and dinner in the field till night fall, should have it in the afternoon; and I presume it is no new idea to farmers' wives generally, that their children's manners are materially affected by a personal attendance to the education of their children. The editor of the *Louisville Journal* since 1831; may be live in the same house with a family of boys, and hear their songs; he has been present at the dinner table of tradesmen, on a clergyman, is forty-two. Thackeray, born at Calcutta, is forty-one.

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THE MALADY OF AMBITION.

Walter Scott had £2,000 a year, without reckoning books at all. He had made money, and was making more. He had more money, and more than enough to satisfy all his wants, and all his family, who intended—but with the fondest affection—to live upon him. He had a large family for the King's Bench, and "Woodstock," and "sixteen puritan a day," brought it in.

So the fortune rushed and he kept up, and his ease higher and higher. So money flowed in, and he had a most lordly and splendid house, and once almost terrible debts for building, furnishing, and planting. Then he had a large number of horses, and a most splendid table, and made a peril-dressed fruit; and I am prepared to believe it,—as soon as they shall have grown into trees. He had a most splendid apple, bold and bold, from two very different sources, and never called once, with a mouth's difficulty, in the time of ripening.

Now it is almost pleasing two potatoes of a different colored kinds from one root. It is a well-known curiosity, and by this means he had the offspring will be mottled! Who has ascended the mountains of Wales, and seen Snowden Pipple roughen the back baker the gust, in the second week a year or two, why may not the potato afford as much of a variety in color?"

REMARKS.—We can prevaile no difference in the probability of treating two rose roots, or of planting two potatoes together, to produce a mixed result. Either will be as likely as every much like treating the legs of a block and white rabbit together, to produce a piebald offspring. Crossing is the way in which a combination of qualities in two plants can be obtained, and the combination is by no means certain. The individual, by means of *seed*; and the other is propagating by cuttings, layers, or two distinct individuals, as in budding and grafting.

By cuttings—horticulture, floriculture, and the like—we obtain a multiplication of the individual, and by *seed* we obtain a new individual, possessing more or less of the properties of both the parents.—*Gardener's Monthly.*

"You see before you a man seventy years old. I have fought two hundred battles; I have killed my enemy; I have slept sixty days on horse-back, with the belt of iron for my pillow, and the saddle for my bed. I am the conqueror of heaven for my covering; without sleep and without food, I have fought sixty days on horse-back, with the belt of iron for my pillow, and the saddle for my bed. I am the conqueror of Egypt I mention for sixty days, with a burning sun upon my head, and a burning sand upon my feet, without food, and with eyes, nostrils and mouth filled with dust; and with a thirst so tormenting, that I have opened the veins of my horse and drunk my own blood! Do you ask how I received all these honors? I received them from the Previdence Pagle, (and a great tree,) the growing wood of the stock is elaborated and furnished by the leaves of the tree, which are expanded to the influence of light; the latter is imparted to the former *for the same reason that a sea is very slight to the touch*, and the shoot grow from the stock, and it will immediately exhibit all the characteristics of that variety, even if it has been grafted for fifty or the graft for 50 years previously.

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